

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph at page 10, lines 9-16 as follows:

Expansion of the fan portion 32 causes either the interposition of a substantial portion of the fan portion 32 between the tumor 12 and the intestines 18 when the fan portion 32 expands at an angle to a plane defined by the tumor 12 and the intestines 18 (FIG. ~~4A~~ 4B) or a forced separation of the intestines 18 away from the tumor 12 when the fan portion 32 expands against the intestines 18 in the plane defined by the tumor 12 and the intestines 18 (see FIG. 4A). Thus, the retractor fan 26 can be oriented to either provide a physical shield between the tumor 12 and the intestines 18 (FIG. ~~4A~~ 4B) or separation between the intestines 18 and the tumor 12 (FIG. ~~4B~~ 4A). The use of the fan retractor 26 may depend on the type of ablation.

Please amend the paragraph at page 12, lines 1-4 as follows:

The needle probe 42 is then removed and re-positioned to ablate the non-ablated portion of the tumor 40 (portion 40b). Ablation is performed and then the marking agent is again placed at the location of the tips of the wires 44 of the needle probe 42 (see markers 46' in FIG. 7). The image of the tumor 40 is then viewed to confirm that the entire tumor 40 is ablated by the two ablation procedures.